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SUBJECT: CODEL SOLARZ

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1. DCM MET MORNING OF DECEMBER 19 WITH ACTING CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AT MFA TO DISCUSS CODEL'S SCHEDULE. AFTER REVIEWING A SUBSTANTIAL FILE WHICH MFA HAD ASSEMBLED ON CODEL, PROTOCOL CHIEF SAID INSTRUCTIONS HAD BEEN GIVEN BY PALACE THAT CONGRESSMAN SHOULD BE WELCOMED AND HIS TRIP FACILITATED. CROWN PRINCE (NOW REGENT) FAHD, HE SAID, HAD AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO MMET WITH CONGRESSMAN BUT SCHEDULING OF MEETING MIGHT NOT BE CONFIRMED FOR SEVERAL DAYS, AND POSSIBLY NOT UNTIL AFTER PRINCE'S OFFICE KNEW THAT CONGRESSMAN WAS ACTUALLY IN COUNTRY. MFA WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH US AGAIN ON THIS POINT.

2. PROTOCOL CHIEF SAID THAT, AS WE KNEW, KING, PRINCE SAUD, AND PRINCE SULTAN WERE ALL OUT OF COUNTRY AND WOULD NOT BE BACK DURING CODEL'S VISIT. HE SUGGESTED IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR CODEL TO MEET WITH MFA UNDERSECRETARY ABDUL RAHMAN AL-MANSOURI, SINCE PRINCE SAUD WOULD NOT BE AROUND. IF CONGRESSMAN
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WISHED SUCH A MEETING, IT COULD BE SET UP AFTER TIME FOR AUDIENCE WITH THE REGENT HAD BEEN SET.

3. MFA OFFICIAL SAID HE THOUGHT YAMANI WOULD NOT BE IN SAUDI ARABIA DECEMBER 22, AND THAT CONGRESSMAN WOULD NEED TO BE EMBASSY'S RESPONSIBILITY ON THURSDAY

AND FRIDAY, WHICH WERE THE SAG'S WEEKEND.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD CODEL WANT TO MEET WITH
MFA UNDERSECRETARY AL-MANSOURI?
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